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Dear Russ:

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General Sibert returned from his trip [REDACTED] briefly.
 the situation is this: The High Command [REDACTED] unilaterally opposed
 to putting up our installation [REDACTED]. Our only alternative then is to spend approximately \$250,000 of CIA's
 money for this installation. Due to the uncertainty of our tenure
 in Japan the Director will not approve the expenditure of this amount.
 In short, [REDACTED] is off!

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General Sibert and [REDACTED] then went to Okinawa and both
 believe that we should look to Okinawa for the location of our Station.
 I have just received the names of contractors now doing certain work
 for the Army Air Forces on the Island. General Sibert's idea is that
 we should first get an estimate from these contractors as to what it
 will cost to put up our installation, the necessary housing, etc.
 Next we will have to determine from the State Department, I presume,
 what is the probable future status of Okinawa. Finally, we will have to
 send another survey team to Okinawa to do what has already been done
 in other places. Assuming that Okinawa works out, it looks like it will
 be another twelve months before the station would be in operation. In
 the meantime, General Sibert feels that we should continue our operation

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[REDACTED]

General Sibert was very impressed with [REDACTED] and thought
 [REDACTED] a bright young fellow. He believes [REDACTED] is best bet
 to carry on after [REDACTED] departure and prior to a permanent replacement.
 In general [REDACTED]
 he was well pleased with the set up at [REDACTED]

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I have some other matters to write you about, but will make
 them the subject of a separate letter.

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Sincerely,

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Chief, FBI